

# Metropolitan Nashville Police Department



**Urban League of Middle Tennessee**

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**↑ Robbery**



# **Two Overriding Problems Confronting the MNPd & the Nashville Community:**

**Juvenile Crime  
&  
Adult Recidivism**



# Homicide

↓ 14%

**62 YTD vs. 72 YTD Last Year**



# **Homicide Victims**

**Male Black – 25 (40.3%)**

**Female Black – 6 (9.7%)**

**\*Half of this year's murder victims  
were African American.**



# **Homicide Victims**

**Male White – 14 (22.6%)**

**Female White – 3 (4.8%)**

**Male Hispanic – 11 (17.7%)**

**Female Hispanic – 2 (3.2%)**



# **Homicide Statistics**

**67.7% of the 62 homicide victims were age 30 or below.**

**53.2% of the 62 homicide victims were age 25 or below.**

**61.3% of the 62 homicide victims had a Davidson County arrest history.**



# **Homicide Statistics**

**Charged Murder Suspects in 2007**

**Cases: 50**

**Male Black: 33 (66%)**

**Male White: 6 (12%)**

**Male Hispanic: 6 (12%)**

**Female Black: 3 (6%)**

**Female Hispanic: 2 (4%)**



# Homicide Statistics

**Charged Murder Suspects in 2007 Cases: 50**

## Age of Suspects

	Age Group			Total
	11-17	18-25	>26	
Male Black	12	15	6	33
Male Hispanic	1	1	4	6
Male White		3	3	6
Female Black	1	1	1	3
Female Hispanic		1	1	2
Total	14	21	15	50
% of Total	28.0%	42.0%	30.0%	

**70% (35 of 50) of homicide suspects are 25 years of age or younger.**



# **Homicide Statistics**

**Juveniles Charged in 2007 Murder Cases: 14**

**12 Male Blacks**

**1 Female Black**

**1 Male Hispanic**

**Juveniles Charged in 2006 Murder Cases: 9**

**6 Male Blacks**

**1 Female Black**

**2 Male Hispanics**



# Juveniles Arrested for Violent Crimes

- **Juvenile Robbery Arrests**

- 75.2% of all juveniles arrested for robbery this year had been previously arrested, all of which had between 1 and 17 previous arrests.
- There have been 151 unique juveniles arrested for robbery in 2007 through October. These juveniles have amassed 1,076 total charges including their most current robbery arrest. More specifically:
  - 17 Homicide Charges
  - 4 Kidnapping Charges
  - 281 Robbery Charges
  - 70 Weapon Charges
  - 161 Assault Charges (91 Aggravated)
- Juvenile African American males ages 14 to 17 make up 0.9% of the Davidson County population, but account for 22.9% of all robbery arrests in Nashville in 2007 through October.
- The total number of juvenile robbery arrests has increased 42.6% in 2007 through October compared to the same time period in 2006.
- Juveniles account for 13.6% of all Part I arrests, and 13.8% of all Part I Violent Crime arrests in 2007 through October.
- **There has been an 84.5% increase in the number of juveniles arrested for Part I violent crime offenses in 2007 over 2006 through October.**



## **Criminal History of Juveniles Arrested for Violent Crime in 2007 Through October**

- 151 unique juveniles were arrested 164 times for robbery in 2007 through October. This is a 45.2% increase from 104 unique juveniles that were arrested 115 times for robbery during the same time period in 2006.**
- Juveniles are responsible for 30.0% of total robbery arrests in 2007 YTD, compared to 22.5% in 2006 through October.**



# Juvenile Violence in School

- **Juvenile Assault Arrests**

- In the last 12 months (10/1/2006 – 9/30/2007), there have been 725 assault incidents with 820 victims in schools during school hours.
- These incidents resulted in 200 unique juveniles arrested 211 times on 278 warrants.
  - 33.0% of arrestees were Female Black
  - 41.5% of arrestees were Male Black
  - 21.5% of arrestees were Male White
  - 3.5% of arrestees were Female White
- 68% of these juveniles had between 1 and 19 prior arrests, totaling 528 previous arrests including:
  - 4 Sex Offenses (2 Forcible Rapes)
  - 5 Robberies
  - 140 Assaults (34 Aggravated)



## **Police Department Outreach to Youth & Parents**

- **70 School Resource Officers (SRO) in the Metro School System at the High School and Middle School Levels**
- **Parental Enforcement Program Home Visits: Last 12 Months**
  - **1,849 Probation Compliance Checks of Juvenile Offenders: 81% were in compliance.**
  - **925 Community Contact Visits to Families with At-Risk or Delinquent Children**
- **Clergy Outreach Through Volunteer Police Chaplain Program**



## **Juvenile Recidivism Bottom Line**

11/1/2006 to 10/31/2007

**821 unique Juveniles have been arrested over the last 12 months for at least one of the following Charges: Homicide, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Drug Offense, and/or Weapons Violation.**

### **On Average:**

- ~30.8% have been previously arrested for the same offense
- ~82.5% have been previously arrested for any offense
- ~43.7% have been previously arrested for a violent Part I Offense
- ~64.8% have been previously arrested for any Part I Offense
- ~19.7% have been previously found delinquent on the same offense
- ~15.5% have been previously found delinquent on a FELONY offense**
- ~50.5% have been previously found delinquent on any offense**
- ~Each offender had an average of 10.1 prior arrests

**~With increased arrests, and a high percentage of juveniles found delinquent, why do juveniles continue to re-offend?**

**~Future analysis is warranted to analyze sentencing upon a juvenile being found delinquent for a major offense, and actual punishment imposed on those juveniles.**



## **Recidivism Bottom Line**

11/1/2006 to 10/31/2007

**13,772 unique persons have been arrested over the last 12 months for at least one of the following Charges: Homicide, Robbery, Aggravated Assault, Burglary, Drug Offense, and/or Weapons Violation.**

### **On Average:**

- ~50.9% have been previously arrested for the same offense
- ~80.5% have been previously arrested for any offense
- ~53.2% have been previously arrested for a violent Part I Offense
- ~66.9% have been previously arrested for any Part I Offense
- ~37.4% have been previously convicted of the same offense
- ~30.5% have been previously convicted of a Felony
- ~61.8% have been previously convicted of any offense
- ~Each offender had an average of 16.3 prior charges

**~In the past twelve months, 685 individuals have been arrested who would qualify for prosecution under the 'Crooks With Guns' Bill. 486 have been previously convicted of a felony. These individuals each have an average of 35.6 prior arrests, and 2.5 prior felony convictions.**

**~With increased arrests, and a conviction percentage well above the national average on felony cases, why do individuals continue to re-offend?**

**~Future analysis is warranted to analyze sentencing upon conviction, and actual time served in prison on those sentences imposed**



# Workload and Efficiency of Staff

- **2006 Year-End Statistics**

- Highly-motivated employees are performing at historic levels!
- There were 2.02 sworn officers per 1,000 residents, the lowest since 1992.
  - According to USDOJ Bureau of Justice Statistics, cities the size of Nashville have 2.74 officers per 1,000.
- There were 607 Calls for Service per sworn officer, the highest ratio in department history.
- There were 35.8 UCR offenses per sworn officer, the lowest since 1989.
- Since 1990 the population of Davidson County has grown by 20%, officer staffing has grown by 20%, but workload per officer has grown 75%.
- For the years 2004, 2005, and 2006, compared to 2003, 2002, and 2001, individual officer Self-Initiated activity is up 70%.
  - 2007 YTD Self-Initiated activity is up another 25%.